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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re:

Ed SCHULER et al.

Atty. Docket No.: GC-425

Application No. 09/811,754

Examiner: Jennifer MAYNARD

Filing Date: March 19, 2001

Art Unit: 3763

Title: USE OF STREPTOMYCES HYALUROLYTICUS
ENZYME IN OPHTHALMIC TREATMENTS

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated March 1, 2004, having three-month shortened statutory period for response set to expire on June 1, 2004. Applicant believes no fees are due in association with this matter. Please charge any deficiency in fees to Deposit Account No. 16-0478.

AMENDMENT

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.



AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER
Under Small Entity Status

Attorney Docket No: GC-425

Application Serial Number:
09/811,754

Filing Date:
3/19/2001

Examiner:
Jennifer J. Maynard

Group Art Unit:
3763

Invention: Use of Streptomyces Hyalurolyticus Enzyme in Ophthalmic Treatments

TO THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	NO. OF EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	10	MINUS	20	0	\$9	\$ 0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	6	MINUS	6	0	\$42	\$ 0.00

____ Petition is hereby made under 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the time for response to the Office Action of ____ to and through ____, comprising an extension of the shortened statutory period of:

____ one month (\$55) ____ three months (\$460)
____ two months (\$200) ____ four months (\$720)

TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT \$0.00

☒ Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.

____ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

____ A check in the amount of \$ ____ is attached.

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☒ No additional fee is required.

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